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A Full Commencement

• PC's 79th Will Bestow 86 Baccalaureate and Four Honorary Degrees

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE'S 79th commencement season approaches, full-blown with activity.

The three-day period of June 4-6 will bring the awarding of 86 baccalaureate and four honorary degrees, the return of alumni for Alumni Reunion and addresses by three outstanding speakers.

Graduating seniors will receive their send-off from PC on the words of Dr. Wayne J. Holman, Jr., nationally prominent textile executive, who is to deliver the commencement address on June 6. The baccalaureate sermon the day before will be preached by the Rev. Marc C. Weersing, pastor of the Spartanburg First Presbyterian Church and a trustee of Presbyterian College.

HONORARY DEGREES of the occasion will go to these four men: U.S. Senator J. Strom Thurmond and J. Graham Miller, New York corporation attorney, both to receive doctor of laws degrees; the Rev. Allen McSweeney of Greensboro, N. C., and the Rev. William I. Howell of Atlanta, doctor of divinity. Miller and McSweeney are Presbyterian College alumni.

Two new features add zest to the 1960 exercises. The \$500,000 Belk Auditorium is to be completed just in time to take care of all activities on the PC campus. And alumni will open the schedule with their inaugural springtime reunion program on June 4, as detailed in a page 4 story.

In addition to degrees, the usual array of student honors will be recognized as part of the program, and the ROTC department will grant 25 commissions in the Officers' Reserve Corps.

NOMINATIONS for the honorary degrees came from the PC board of trustees. Thurmond, junior senator from South Carolina, former governor and close friend of the College, was cited for outstanding career in military service and in politics. Miller is a leading New York lawyer who served as state assistant attorney-general for a number of years under Tom Dewey and who has been prominent in Presbyterian men's work. Dedicated and effective work in Christian ministry was recognized by the trustees in bestowing honor upon McSweeney as pastor of Greensboro's Starmount Presbyterian Church and Howell as associate pastor of the Atlanta First Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Holman, the commencement speaker, has served as president of the Chicopee Manufacturing Corporation of New Brunswick, N. J., since 1954. Dr. Weersing has been pastor of the Spartanburg First Church since 1956 after serving the Central Church of Jackson, Miss., for ten years.

Holman

Weersing

Thurmond

McSweeney

Miller

Howell



PC Adds Department of Christian Education

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE will broaden its service to the Church by adding a department of Christian education, beginning with the 1960-61 session next September.

The program is designed to fill a two-fold purpose: 1—To help meet the shortage of trained church workers by producing associates in Christian education for the churches of Georgia and South Carolina; and 2—To give the technical training necessary for more effective lay leadership as teachers, superintendents and department chairmen.

Academic Dean George C. Bellingrath said this department will be coordinated with the PC Bible program which each year sends a number of graduates to the seminaries as ministerial candidates.

A recognized expert in the field of young people's work will head the new department of Christian education at Presbyterian College. He is Robert E. Fakkema, who will join the faculty next fall as associate professor of religious education.

FAKKEMA, known throughout the General Assembly for his ability as a director of recreation, will receive his master's degree in June from the Presbyterian School of Christian Education in Richmond. He holds a BA degree from Duke University. His experience since serving in the US Navy in World War II has included more than three years in industrial relations with the Bethlehem Steel Company and eight years as recreation director in several large Presbyterian churches.

Dr. Bellingrath, in discussing the program further, said:

"The heart of this new department will be a study of the Bible, of Christian doctrine and of the service the program of the Church is rendering in the world today. It will include the organization of the local church and the methods of teaching the Bible, primarily to young people."

He pointed out the program should have particular appeal to the girl students and to many young men who want to go into full-time Christian service other than that for which seminary training is necessary. It also will offer to young graduates

going into the business and professional world certain techniques that will make them more effective lay leaders in the churches they attend.

PRESBYTERIAN College, in adding this department, accepts the challenge of the General Assembly to train associates in Christian education. The Assembly, through its board of Christian education, has provided a challenge fund of \$5,000 annually for five years to help underwrite the program in those colleges offering a proper curriculum. Matching funds for the PC department have come from individuals and from these Presbyterian churches:

Druid Hills, Gordon Street, Oglethorpe, Peachtree Road, Rock Spring and Trinity, all of Atlanta; Clairmont and First of Decatur; Eastminster and First of Columbia; Spartanburg First; and the College Park, Ga., East Point, Ga., Hapeville, Ga., Roswell, Ga., and Easley, S. C., churches.

SUMMER SESSION BEGINS JUNE 14

The 1960 summer school at Presbyterian College will open on June 14. Students are scheduled to register on this date and begin classes on June 15 for the nine-week session which will extend through August 13.

PC will offer 19 courses in these seven departments during the summer session: economics, English, history, mathematics, philosophy, psychology and Spanish.

but donors may indicate any particular area of interest they prefer.

MAJOR emphasis in the appeal this year goes to the pressing need of additional funds for faculty salary increases and for scholarships. In this connection, President Marshall W. Brown pointed out:

"Although we are making upward adjustments in our salary scale, both the trustees and the administration recognize the desirability of giving further increases as soon as funds are available. As soaring costs price many qualified high school seniors out of the college market, we also are faced with trying to assist more of these potential young leaders with their higher education through scholarship grants. We turn to our friends and former students for help in this effort."

The Living Endowment is designed to underscore the importance of numerous smaller contributions, given annually, to the sound financial operation of Presbyterian College. Through this program, the donor gives a sum which represents the annual interest on a larger investment.

Living Endowment Opens With Strong Start for '60

LIVING Endowment returns for 1960 are running well ahead of this period last year, when Presbyterian College alumni and friends set a new record for their annual giving program.

A total of \$7,027.65 has been contributed to the PC Living Endowment in the first month of its current drive. The gifts came from 149 donors, for an average of \$47.16 per gift.

Thus, the program moves out briskly in quest of the \$50,000 goal set for this year by the board of directors of the Alumni Association. The 1959 total hit \$38,644 through 766 gifts.

Funds contributed to the Living Endowment are used as a means of assisting Presbyterian to meet the heavy burden of its current operating expenses. Most of the gifts come without special designation,

Mrs. Taylor, Jones To Return to PC

TWO former members of the Presbyterian College faculty and staff will return with the start of the 80th session next September.

They are: Dr. Newton Jones, professor of history, who spent the past year on the Furman University faculty; and Mrs. Julia Taylor, back from four years in the Brazilian mission field.

Dr. Jones will resume the position he held as history department chairman for nine years. Mrs. Taylor—who served in the PC business office for 13 years, the latter part as bursar—will become hostess of the Douglas House student center. She succeeds Mrs. E. H. Hall, who has retired after 17 years of gracious service in this capacity. Mrs. Hall joined the staff in 1943.

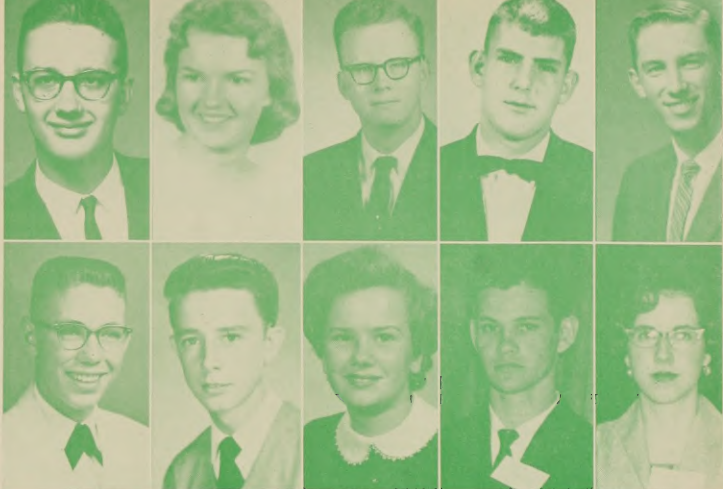
Newton Jones first came to PC in 1950, shortly after receiving his doctorate in history from the University of Virginia. He had earned both his BA (1941) and his MA (1946) degrees from Emory University. Dr. Jones is a regular contributor to publications in the field of history.

Mrs. Taylor, whose husband, four children and two sons-in-law all attended PC, returned last summer from work with the Bible School at Garanhuns Pernambuco in Brazil. Mrs. Taylor first went to the mission field with her husband, the late Dr. George W. Taylor '11, in 1919. After his death in 1943, she returned to this country and joined the PC staff. Then in 1956, the Presbyterian Board of World Missions prevailed upon her to go back to Brazil to help meet a critical emergency there.

Synodical Training School, Industrial Management Workshop Will Meet On Campus In June

TWO annual events of statewide interest will be held on the Presbyterian College campus in June. Each is expected to attract hundreds of participants.

Presbyterian women are scheduled to assemble here on June 20-25 for the 13th South Carolina Synodical Training School. The Industrial Management Workshop, sponsored by the South Carolina State Chamber of Commerce, will hold its second session at Presbyterian College and June 9-11.



These ten outstanding high school seniors are the recipients of the 1960 Founder's Scholarships at Presbyterian College. They were awarded these grants, ranging up to \$2,000 each for the four years of study at PC, on a competitive basis which considered character, scholarship and leadership. The 1960 winners, who will enter PC next September, are left to right, first row—Marion Booser of Gaffney, S. C.; Ellen Wilson of Savannah, Ga.; James Owens of Greenwood, S. C.; Leon Bullard of Bainbridge, Ga.; and Edward Pender of Columbia, S. C.; Second row—Francis Hood and Russell Strange, both of Decatur, Ga.; Vivian Taylor and James W. Harris, both of Laurens, S. C.; and Janet E. Maddox of Spartanburg, S. C.

Gifts Memorialize Loved Ones

WHAT better way to remember a loved one than through a small memorial gift which will help dedicated young men and women prepare themselves for years of Christian service?

Friends or relatives of a deceased loved one may wish to send to Presbyterian College a gift which will serve as such a memorial. It will endure in the lives of these young people and benefit the future through their works.

The names of the person memorialized and of the donor will be recorded in a Book of Memory and will be published in a special edition of this bulletin. Acknowledgement of the gift will be made to the family of the person in whose memory it is given.

The form below may be used in making this type of contribution to Presbyterian College.

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Clinton, South Carolina

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Alumni: It's June 4

That's the date for the first Alumni Reunion. It offers some feature attractions for all the family. Be sure you're here.

YOU'LL find some feature attractions at the Alumni Reunion set for Saturday, June 4.

Here are the highlights:

1—U.S. Senator J. Strom Thurmond will address the evening banquet.

2—An Alumni Institute on missiles and outer-space is scheduled for that afternoon.

3—PC PREP for children, age 8 to 18, will offer entertainment for your sons and daughters while also giving them a closer view of the campus.

4—And this newly inaugurated alumni program, designed to tie-in with the commencement exercises of June 5-6, will provide overnight dormitory accommodations for those alumni remaining for the graduation exercises.

Special class reunions set for this time are: 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1910, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1935, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943 and 1958. These classes will sit together in groups at the banquet.

THE alumni board of directors will meet at 11 a.m. the morning of June 4, but the main activities are scheduled to start with the 2 p.m. registration.

The Alumni Institute will open at 3 p.m. with a

lecture by Dr. Neill G. Whitelaw, highly regarded chairman of the PC physics department. A second period, supplementing his talk, will be devoted to the showing of an Army color film on missile development narrated by Dr. Wernher Von Braun. It is to be conducted by the ROTC department.

PC PREP also is scheduled to open at 3 p.m., so that alumni children may move out to their own supervised program. The College's indoor swimming pool and other recreational facilities will be utilized, and a picnic is planned to extend through the banquet.

THE annual meeting of the Alumni Association will immediately precede the 6:30 p.m. Alumni Banquet, at which Senator Thurmond will speak. This program also will include the presentation of the 1960 Alumni Gold P Award to John Montgomery '28 of Columbia, S. C., managing editor of *The State* newspaper.

This banquet occasion also will serve as a means of welcoming the graduating class into the Alumni Association. Seniors will attend as special guests.



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